

# WOMAN'S WORK

Conducted by Miss Carrie Lee Campbell

## PRAYER.

Questions about it: Have I definitely thanked God for blessings received?

Have I definitely confessed my own sins?

Have I dared to be definite with God, or are my prayers general and generally unanswered?

Have I taken pains to become acquainted with God Himself, the promise that I may rely more on the promises?

Can I hope to have my prayer answered, if I do not allow God to use me to answer my own prayers?—Selected.

## THE LOCAL AUXILIARY.

### Fourfold Object of Organization.

#### Financial.

This division into circles helps financially, because there is a pleasant rivalry between the Circles, each striving to have their own come out ahead in gifts. At the meeting of the Executive Board there is an interchange of ideas about finances that is both stimulating and helpful.

#### Social.

This division helps in a social way, for the Circles are small and can be entertained socially. With the ladies meeting in such small groups, they learn to know each other very well, and there is a special smile and hand-clasp when one meets a member of her own Circle, no matter when or where the meeting chances to be.

At the end of the year the members of the Circles are rearranged, so they are thrown with other ladies and make more warm friends.

#### Education.

The Circle idea helps, too, in an educational way, for once a month there is an afternoon with a regularly prepared missionary program, which all the members of all the Circles are expected to attend. The Secretaries of the causes take turns in presiding at these meetings and in working up the program, each one trying to make her program the best of the year. The Circles take turns in acting as hostesses, and by telephoning and writing they invite every woman in the Church to meeting. Their members act as a reception committee, of which the chairman and vice-chairman are hostesses. After the program the ladies linger for a cup of tea and a sandwich. The Circles vie with each other in seeing who can get out the largest audience for a missionary afternoon.

#### Spiritual.

Possibly the hardest problem connected with any society is to get the ladies to take part in the devotional services. The Woman's Society can provide for that by holding an informal prayer service once a week. Here they learn how to pray by praying. This service has been held for sixteen years. Often there is only a handful of ladies; again there is a room full. It is a sweet service, free from criticism, and it has been led by many, many different ladies. The Circle idea is used here, too, for one Circle provides leaders for one month and another Circle another month. In this way, a large number of ladies are interested in the spiritual side of the Society.

In addition to the general monthly

educational missionary program, there is a system of education for the social Circle meetings. The nine officers visit the nine Circles, one officer going to one Circle and one to another. At this time the general conversation is led along the line of the work she represents. For example, when the Secretary of Foreign Missions visits a committee, the conversation is naturally upon Foreign Missions. Whereas, the presence of the Treasurer leads naturally to talk about tithing and Christian stewardship.

This Circle plan is well adapted to larger churches and produces splendid results.

Mrs. Archibald Davls.

## MISSION COURT.

### A Home for Missionaries on Furlough

Formerly acknowledged...	\$5,866.53
Ginter Park Missionary Society .....	200.00
Richmond, First Church Auxiliary .....	260.00
Ladies' Aid Society, Charlestown, W. Va. ....	15.00
Auxiliary of Assembly's Training School .....	3.20

Total ..... \$6,344.73  
Hurry with your gifts. The missionaries will soon be coming, and they need this home.

Send all gifts to Mrs. George Randolph Cannon, 306 West Grace Street, Richmond, Va.

## COUNTRY SOCIETIES, ATTENTION!

The Auxiliary Circle plan for city churches is proving a remarkable success and no Church having upon its roll of membership more than thirty-five women and girls can afford to neglect this plan.

There are, however, in our Church a large number of country churches with scattered membership which are doing splendid missionary work. These churches have various forms of organization for the women. In order to learn the best forms of organization for these conditions the Auxiliary is urging every country society that has a successful plan of work to write a description of it to us in order that we may pass it on to others.

We want to make the September number of the Survey a country Church number in the Auxiliary Department, and we want to know what your Church in the country is doing.

Will you not write to us at once about it? Address Mrs. W. C. Winsborough, Alba Hotel, Montreat, N. C.

## A PAD, A PENCIL AND—A CLASS.

It is not given to all of us to teach in the ideally equipped Sunday school, with its separate class rooms, wall maps, blackboards, etc., which seem so essential to one grown accustomed to their use. So if your work, like mine, lies in a small Sunday school where one large room must suffice perforce for ten or twelve classes during lesson periods, I am going to pass on to you one or two of my favorite methods, which which I occasionally vary my teachings. Each member of my class is asked to bring with her every week her Bible, of course, and in addition to that a lead pencil. I keep on hand a pad of plain paper, which many times serves in lieu of a

blackboard for illustrating something I desire to bring home to my pupils through the medium of the eye.

On the day when this specific plan of the pad and pencil is being used, however, a brief, informal, general discussion of the lesson is held, and then after distributing paper to each one, a period of from three to five minutes is given, in which to jot down what appear to each class member to be the most interesting or impressive points of the lesson. This done, one scholar reads aloud her points, while the rest of us (for I, too, make a list) compare our lists with hers, checking off on our own paper points on which we agree. Of course, there are always valuable suggestions listed by some other members, of which they are anxious to tell.

If you have never tried this plan you will be amazed at the wealth and variety of thought brought out by this interchange of ideas. I am sure you will agree with me that the teaching value of the lesson is greatly enhanced. Do not as a teacher minimize the importance of any truth presented, for it is a real discovery on the part of each pupil. Gather up and bind together as a composite whole the thoughts thus presented, stressing those which you, as a teacher, have in your careful, prayerful preparation of this lesson deemed of the deepest significance and value.

You will often be delighted to see how your class develop along this method of self-teaching if it be used occasionally.

Then, too, I occasionally conduct part of my lesson period as a "questionnaire." After a general discussion of the lesson, when the big thoughts that I have prayerfully found are the ones to be taught that day have been skilfully brought forward, not as my thoughts, but as the result of a search on their part for the real spiritual meaning of the lesson, I ask each one to write on a slip of paper two questions bearing upon the lesson, and these are answered then and there by the class.

## THE CHRISTIAN SOLDIER'S ALPHABET.

### An Exercise for Juniors.

- As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.
- Behold, I have given him for a witness to the people, a leader and commander to the people.
- Counsel is mine, and sound wisdom: I am understanding; I have strength.
- Deliver me from my enemies, O my God: defend me from them that rise up against me.
- Endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.
- Fight the good fight of faith.
- God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
- He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth.
- In the name of our God we will set up our banners.
- Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever.
- King of kings and Lord of lords.
- Let thine hand help me.
- My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.
- No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper.
- O Israel, trust thou in the Lord; He is their help and their shield.
- Put on the whole armor of God.
- Quit you like men; be strong.
- Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

S. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness.

T. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

U. Under His wings shalt thou trust.

V. Vain is the help of man.

W. Who is on the Lord's side?

X. Except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.

Y. Your joy no man taketh from you.

Z. Zealous of good works.

—E. E. Hewitt.

## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

### CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP.

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Acts 2:42, 46, 47; Phil. 4:10-20.

**GOLDEN TEXT.**—If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another.—1 John 1:7.

**Devotional Reading:** 1 John 1:19.

**Additional Material for Teachers:** Ps. 133:1-3; Mal. 3:16; John 17:20, 21; Rom. 12:15, 16; 1 Cor. 12:12, 13; Phil. 1:3-8; Heb. 10:24, 25; 1 John 4:7-13.

**Primary Topic:** Loving Jesus and One Another.

**Lesson Material:** Acts 12:1-17.

**Memory Verse:** A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another—John 13:34.

**Junior Topic:** Keeping Company With Good People.

**Lesson Material:** Acts 2:37-47; 12:1-17.

**Memory Verse:** Psalm 119:63.

**Intermediate Topic:** Our Christian Friendships.

**Additional Material:** Prov. 17:17; John 15:12-15.

**Senior and Adult Topic:** Basis and Benefits of Christian Fellowship.

**Additional Material:** Same as for Teachers.

Man is a social being and so association with others is his nominal condition. He needs and seeks after fellowship with others. Webster defines fellowship as "Companionship of persons on equal and friendly terms." There is a great deal said about fellowship in the Bible. Sometimes the specific term is used, sometimes synonymous terms are employed, sometimes striking examples of it are given.

Let us notice some of those with whom the Christian ought to have fellowship.

(1). "We have fellowship one with another." (Golden Text.) This is what is to be expected. Christians have the same interests, the same aims and purposes, the same work, the same ruler, the same Saviour, the same trials and temptations, the same hopes. Many other things they have in common. Having fellowship together enables them to do their work better, to stand more firmly against Satan's attacks, to derive more of blessing and joy from their religion. People are going to have fellowship with other people. Why should they not select the best people? On the whole Christians are the best people. Let Christians, then, have fellowship with Christians, in business by preference, in social life as far as possible, in marriage above all, for "why should a believer be unequally yoked with an unbeliever?"

(2). "Truly our fellowship is with the Father." 1 John 13. To one who only knew of the characteristics of God as an all wise, all powerful being of infinite holiness, and of man as by

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